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Application of:

Takahiro NAKAHIGASHI et al

Art Unit: 1762 ✓

Serial Number: 09/589,225 ✓

Examiner: A. Turner ✓

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For: OBJECT COATED WITH CARBON FILM AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
THE SAME

TC 1700 MAIL ROOM

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

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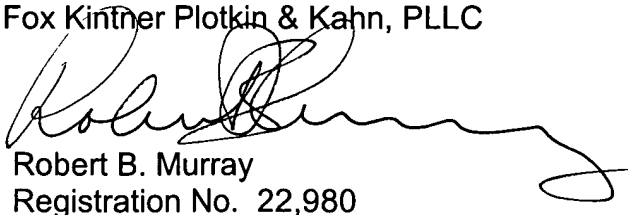
In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated March 12, 2001, the applicants hereby elect the species of a machine part (claims 3, 6, 13).

Counsel has been advised that the inventors of the elected species are Mr. Takahiro Nakahigashi and Mr. Akira Doi. The elected species is supported by the following Japanese priority applications: application nos. 167027/196 Pat., 221133/196 Pat. and 202916/196 Pat.

Early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

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